

## WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

## 1. An enterprise information filtering system comprising

means for filtering solely information, which is included in a management span of a post to which a user belongs, from information on an enterprise, using management span information that is included in  
 5 organization definition information containing definition information used to define each element constituting an enterprise organization and that represents a management responsibility range of each post.

## 2. An enterprise information filtering system comprising:

an organization definition information storage unit for storing organization-wide information that represents an internal organization structure of an enterprise and personal information that represents  
 5 information necessary for performing a job of a user as organization definition information;

a contents storage unit for storing contents including information to be provided to the user;

filter definition information generating means for receiving  
 10 said organization definition information and said contents to make an attribute constituting said contents and an attribute constituting said organization definition information as a filtering condition, and for generating filter definition information with said filtering condition and an identifier of said contents as a set;

15 a filter definition information storage unit for storing said filter definition information; and

filtering means for obtaining filter definition information

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corresponding to contents, which is specified by the user, from said filter definition information storage unit, for obtaining organization  
 20 definition information, which is specified in the filter definition information and which is necessary for a user, from said organization definition information storage unit to build a filter, and for performing filtering operation to said contents stored in said contents storage unit with said filter to extract solely information included in a management  
 25 span of the user as a filtering result.

3. The enterprise information filtering system as defined in claim 2 wherein,

in case where a management responsibility range of the user undergoes a change,

5 said filtering means obtains organization definition information, corresponding to said change, from said organization definition information storage unit,

adds said organization definition information to the filter, and performs filtering operation to said contents using a finally-  
 10 built filter to extract the filtering result.

4. A method for filtering enterprise information, comprising: filtering solely information, which is included in a management span of a post to which a user belongs, from information on an enterprise, by using management span information that is included in organization  
 5 definition information containing definition information used to define each element constituting an enterprise organization and that represents a management responsibility range of each post.

5. A method for filtering enterprise information, comprising the steps of :

(a) storing organization-wide information that represents an internal organization structure of an enterprise and personal information that represents information necessary for executing a job of a user as organization definition information in a first storage unit;

(b) storing contents including information to be provided to the user in a second storage unit;

(c) receiving said organization definition information and said contents from said first and second storage unit respectively, making an attribute constituting said contents and an attribute constituting said organization definition information as a filtering condition, and for generating filter definition information with said filtering condition and an identifier of said contents as a set;

(d) storing said filter definition information in a third storage unit; and

(e) obtaining filter definition information corresponding to contents, which is specified by the user, from said third storage unit, obtaining organization definition information, which is specified in the filter definition information and which is necessary for a user, to build a filter, and performing filtering operation to said contents stored in said second storage unit with said filter to extract solely information included in a management span of the user as a filtering result.

6. The method as defined in claim 5 further comprising the steps of:

in case where a management responsibility range of the user

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undergoes a change,

(f) obtaining organization definition information,  
5 corresponding to said change, from said organization definition  
information storage unit,

(g) adding said organization definition information to the filter,  
and

(h) performing filtering operation to said contents using a  
10 finally-built filter to extract the filtering result.

7. A storage medium storing therein a computer program that causes a  
computer to execute filtering operation for extracting solely information,  
which is included in a management span of a post to which a user  
belongs, from information on an enterprise, by using management span  
5 information that is included in organization definition information  
containing definition information used to define each element  
constituting an enterprise organization and that represents a  
management responsibility range of each post.

8. A storage medium storing therein a computer program that causes a  
computer to execute the steps of:

(a) storing organization-wide information that represents an  
internal organization structure of an enterprise and personal information  
5 that represents information necessary for executing a job of a user as  
organization definition information in a first storage unit;

(b) storing contents including information to be provided to the  
user in a second storage unit;

(c) receiving said organization definition information and said

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10 contents from said first and second storage unit respectively, making an attribute constituting said contents and an attribute constituting said organization definition information as a filtering condition, and for generating filter definition information with said filtering condition and an identifier of said contents as a set;

15 (d) storing the filter definition information in a third storage unit; and

(e) obtaining filter definition information corresponding to contents, which is specified by the user, from said third storage unit, obtaining organization definition information, which is specified in the filter definition information and which is necessary for a user, to build a filter, and performing filtering operation to said contents stored in said second storage unit with said filter to extract solely information included in a management span of the user as a filtering result.

20 A5 9. The storage medium as defined in claim 9 further storing therein a computer program that causes the computer to execute the steps of:

in case where a management responsibility range of the user undergoes a change,

5 (f) obtaining organization definition information, corresponding to said change, from said organization definition information storage unit,

(g) adding said organization definition information to the filter, and

10 (g) performing filtering operation to said contents using a finally-built filter to extract the filtering result.

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